Amendments To The Claims:

1.   (Currently Amended)   Method for making transactions secure based on a card-type medium (2) comprising a number (4) and a remote database (5) connected to a telecommunications network (9), characterized in that

  a unique ~~and non-reproducible~~ identifier (3) is physically integrated in the medium (2) comprising the number (4),

  this identifier (3) constitutes an unforgeable link between the number (4) located on the medium and information stored under the same number (4) in the database (5),

  said stored information comprises at least one representation of the identifier comprising an image signature (6) and/or a digital signature (7) of the unique ~~and non-reproducible~~ identifier (3),

  ~~the link authentication is performed by means~~ to authenticate the link, a call is made to the database, the stored signature is re-transmitted to a terminal monitor (11) and/or a printer (10) on which the image appears, an operator makes a comparison between the identifier (3) located on the medium and its signature displayed on the terminal (11) and/or on the receipt of the printer (10) ~~of a comparison between a representation of the identifier (6 or 7) stored in said database (5) and the identifier (3) located on the medium (2)~~, and

  if there is agreement, the transaction is authorized.

2.   (Original)   Method for making transactions secure based on a card-type medium (2) comprising a number (4) and a remote database (5) connected to a telecommunications network (9) according to Claim 1, characterized in that the number is recorded on the medium (2) by means of a magnetic strip or tape (1).

3.   (Original)   Method for making transactions secure based on a card-type medium (2) comprising a number (4) and a remote database (5) connected to a telecommunications network (9) according to Claim 1, characterized in that the number is recorded in the medium (2) by means of a linear bar code or a two-dimensional code (1).

4.   (Original)   Method for making transactions secure based on a card-type medium (2) comprising a number (4) and a remote database (5) connected to a telecommunications network (9) according to Claim 1, characterized in that the number is recorded on the medium (2) by means of an electronic chip or radio frequency chip.

5.   (Currently Amended)   Method for making transactions secure based on a card-type medium (2) comprising a number (4) and a remote database (5) connected to a telecommunications network (9) according to Claim 1, characterized in that the unique ~~and non-reproducible~~ identifier (3) constituting the unforgeable link between the number (4) recorded on the medium (2) and the same number (4) recorded in the database (5) is a volume-based identifier (3) in which are contained bubbles of random size, shape, and arrangement.

6 - 8. (Cancelled)